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GA-130 Ground Team Qualified

**Civil Air Patrol members
team up with local
emergency responders
for final exercise**

GEORGIA – Members of the Peachtree DeKalb Senior Squadron, DeKalb Cadet Squadron and Gwinnett Composite Squadron completed arduous ground team training with a multi agency multi asset event at Stone Mountain Park on March 18th.

The goal of the training was to assemble a fully-qualified ground team within a three-month period. Under the direction of Operations Officer Capt. Roy Villers, Maj. Bob Finton and 1st Lt. Mike Bowman developed a course concept and a tailored curriculum to meet the challenge. Instructors Maj. Jim Weed of Gwinnett Composite Squadron and Capt. Ray Minton of DeKalb Cadet Squadron and DeKalb County Public Safety Battalion Chief, John Creasy helped plan and execute the course. Facilitator 1st Lt. William Hale is also Peachtree DeKalb Senior Squadron's Ground Team leader.



Using hand signals, 2LT Pam Skaff directs the landing of a helicopter

With the direction and help of Chief Creasy, DeKalb EMS, DeKalb Fire Dept. (including the Technical Rescue Team (TRT)) and DeKalb Police all participated.

Training included a full weekend of Classroom Ground School, one weekend at Georgia Public Safety Training Center (GPSTC) in Forsyth on the ground compass course as well as survival training and Crash Site control and management.

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2006 Q1 ES Training Results

Winter 2006 offered PDK Senior Squadron members a record number of outstanding unit-level Emergency Services training opportunities. Thank you to all members who contributed their time, talents and (in some cases) money to help PDK better support CAP's Emergency Services mission.

PDK executed one of the most aggressive and robust unit level ES training programs in the Georgia Wing. 2006 highlights include

Mission Scanner Ground School

Ground Team intensive training program including 6 GT missions

2 Tuesday Training SAR Exercises including 2 sorties

1 Tuesday Training UDF Exercise

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Commander's Corner

On Tuesday, April 25, 2006 there will be a Change of Command ceremony at PDK Senior Squadron. Major Charlie Cayce will assume command. I am a big proponent of rotating personnel in and out of various positions. It gives new blood, ideas and challenges to the squadron. We are all better and more valuable members of CAP if we take on a variety of assignments while we are in the organization. Not only do we personally benefit from varied experiences but it benefits CAP and the squadron in the long run with accumulating institutional knowledge and expertise. Charlie is well qualified with experiences in both CAP and the private sector. I hope everyone will support Charlie in his new role. I wish him the best.

I will continue to be an active member in our squadron. I want to thank everyone, particularly those in squadron staff positions for your support, dedication and friendship while I commanded the squadron. We have a tremendous unit with many good things to accomplish in the future.

"Ready to Roll"

Lt Col. Jerry Cleary
GA-130 Commander

Aerospace Education

The program for March was THE USAF ACADEMY, presented by Steve Haslup. Mr. Haslup has just completed a year as President of the Air Force Academy Parents Booster Club. His son Scott graduated from the academy last June and is presently training as a USAF pilot. Mr. Haslup is also Vice President of the Georgia chapter of the International Aerobatics Club, flies an Atlantis

Aircraft based at LZU and is employed by Bellsouth.

The April meeting will be Mario Diaz, Asst Mgr of Hartsfield Airport. The May meeting will be about the role of aviation in the United States Coast Guard. This presentation will be by former CG C-130 aircrew members Dave Bates (currently a Delta A&P Tech) and PDK member Keith Dickerson.

Maj Bill Bell, CAP
Aerospace Education

Operations

I would like to again encourage new members, especially new pilots, and other flight crew members to contact the person doing the monthly form 71 inspection of the CAP aircraft and help out. It's a great way to get to know people and know what's necessary to keep our flying resources legal and in compliance with CAP regs. The list of people doing the form 71 is on the squadron bulletin board or contact me a rwvillers@comcast.net

Third Tuesday training at the Squadron. Especially for new members, even if you are not flying or on a ground team, come and see what's going on. We'll have our Mission status boards, comm, mission staff training going on. Its a good way to learn the language of a mission base and see how missions are put together and how air, ground and mission base assets work together. Everything from the sign in roster to the final de-brief is important. The more we work together in training and get to know each other, when the real deal comes, GA-130 will be "Ready to Roll".

Capt Roy W. Villers CAP
GA-130 Operations Officer

Historian

The historical archive (in website format) for the Peachtree-Dekalb Senior Squadron (as well as many pictures including the Dekalb Cadet Squadron) is now complete. I am also shopping for web server space so, in time, it will be hosted on the web. I will create an icon on the desktop of the office computer for easy access.

Please feel free to view and print/download/copy any or all of the photos from our past events.

There is also an archive of historical documents and newsletters. More content will be added as it is received. If anyone has any photos, please send them along to me and I will publish them.

Everything is presented in an easy to navigate web interface. Also, if anyone would like personal copies of any of the content, I'd be happy to burn CDs on request.

This is the most extensive collection of historical materials on the Squadron published to date. Enjoy and let me know if you have any questions.

1LT William H Hale, CAP
GA-130 Historian



Recruiting

Prospective members to PDK Squadron CAP can contact our Recruiting Officer 1Lt. James Ewing via email at:

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Stone Mountain Park provided the venue for final day of training. Ground team search and rescue in 3 different formats including Technical Rescue Team (TRT) extraction of the “injured” with the assistance of the TRT team. A SAR under the cover of darkness was also completed. A helicopter team from Life Net provided training on helicopter landing zone management, the use of their services and requirements of care.

Ten members of Peachtree DeKalb Senior Squadron and five members of DeKalb Cadet Squadron completed the course. PDK Senior Squadron and Georgia Wing Headquarters provided the mission base staff.

Capt. Paige Joyner, CAP,
Director of Public Affairs Georgia Wing,

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1 Tuesday Training Disaster
Preparedness Exercise including 1 sortie

American Red Cross First Aid/CPR
Certification Training

PDK qualified/recertified members in
the following ES Mission related skills
as a direct result of these training
efforts:

Ground Team Member (level GT3 and
GT 2)

- Ground Team Leader
- Mission Observer
- Mission Radio Operator

- Mission Scanner
- Mission Staff Assistant
- Urban Directional Finding

With daylight saving time approaching, we hope the best training is yet to come. With expanded hours of operations during 3rd and 5th Tuesday Training exercise and the help of other local CAP Units, the PDK team hopes to launch at least two sorties every Tuesday (circa 1700 and 1930 hours). This will dramatically increase the number of aircrew, mission base staff and GT/UDF training opportunities for all.

If you seek aircrew sign-off on a CAP ES skill including Mission Pilot, Mission Observer or Mission Scanner, please inform Major Herring and me as to your training needs during a regular Tuesday meeting. For Ground Team/UDF please contact 1LT William Hale and for Mission Staff Captain Villers or me.

Thank you for your service.

1LT Jim Crone, CAP
GA-130 Emergency Services Officer

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1LT Jerome Chiecchio dons cold water survival gear as part of a recent Aerospace Education program.



Participants from March's First Aid training class.

Be sure to check out an article in the most recent edition of *Civil Air Patrol Volunteer*. Georgia Wing members Lt Col. Paul Branson, Maj. Jim Weed and Capt. Paige Joyner are recognized for their superior professionalism and compassion during a 2005 SAR mission.

Promotions and Awards

Commander's Commendation



Capt. Paige Joyner receiving the Commander's Commendation Award for superior performance in 2005 as PDK's Public Affairs Officer



2LT Pam Skaff and 2LT Andrea Van Buren receiving their promotions



1LT William Hale receiving his promotion



2LT Andy Simpson upon his promotion

If you have received an award or promotion and have not been recognized in the newsletter, please email the specifics to keith.dickerson@us.schneider-electric.com



Maj Bill Bell presenting the Cadet Scholarship Award to Cadet Yori Gorlin

GROUND TEAM QUALIFICATIONS

The following PKD Members have earned their qualifications for Ground Team

Maj Bill Bell

1LT Mike Bowman

1LT Jim Crone

2LT Keith Dickerson

Maj Bob Finton

1LT William Hale (GT Leader)

1LT Joanne Janchus

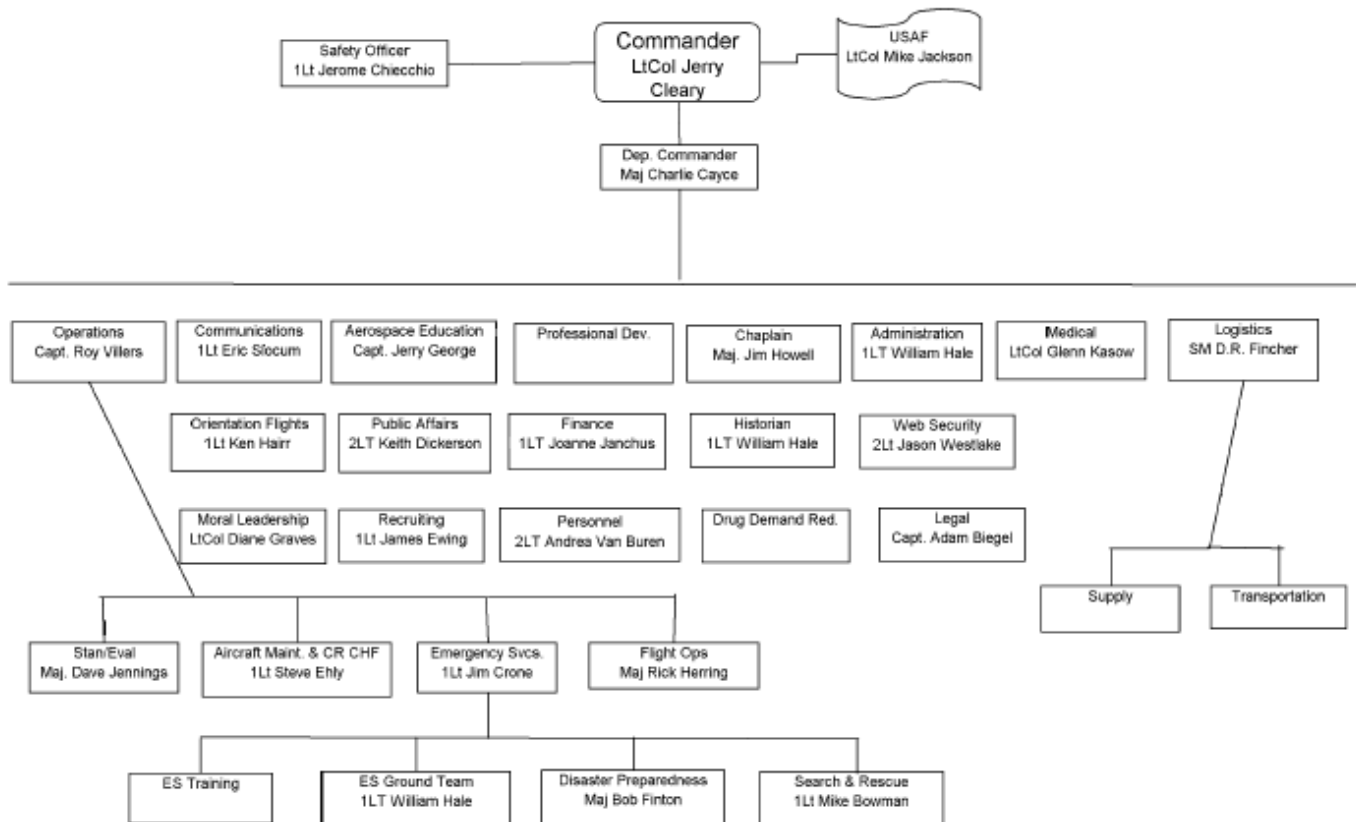
2LT Pamela Skaff

For online updates of the meeting/training schedule, please go to

http://www.gawg.cap.gov/GA130/pdk_training_schedule.xls

GA-130 Training Schedule - 2006 (Jan - JUN)			
Date	Subject	Instructor	Notes
January			
03-Jan	Staff Mtg	Cayce	
10-Jan	GA Wing Safety Stand-Down	Cleary	
17-Jan	Scanner Ground School - Part I	Kairr	
21-22 Jan	Ground Team Training Exercise	Finton/Bowman	
24-Jan	AE Education	George/Bell	
28-Jan	Orientation Flights	Herring	
31-Jan	Scanner Ground School - Part II	Hairr/Crone	
February			
3-4 Feb	Frostbite	Wing Activity	
04-Feb	ROA Class	Slocum	
07-Feb	Staff Mtg	Cayce	
14-Feb	Flight & ES Jacket Review	Jennings/Crone	
18-Feb	ES Training - tentative	Crone/Villers	
21-Feb	UDF / Air Operation	Hale/Villers	
25-26 Feb	Ground Team Training Exercise	Finton/Bowman	
25-Feb	Orientation Flights	Herring	
28-Feb	AE Education	George/Bell	
March			
07-Mar	Staff Mtg	Cayce	
14-Mar	Prof Dev./O-Flight Requirements	Ewing/Cleary/Herring	
18-19 Mar	Ground Team Training Exercise	Finton/Bowman	
21-Mar	MRO Exercise/Mission Staff Trg	Slocum/Villers	
25-Mar	Red Cross First Aid Training	Ewing	
25-Mar	Orientation Flights	Herring/Hairr	
28-Mar	AE Education	George/Bell	
April			
04-Apr	Staff Mtg	Cayce	
7-8 Apr	GAWG Conference		
11-Apr	Cap FM Radio - Becker	Slocum/Cayce	
15-Apr	Observer Ground School	Villers/Herring	
18-Apr	Summer Air/Ground Ops	Crone/Villers	
25-Apr	AE Education	George/Bell	
29-Apr	Orientation Flights	Herring	
May			
02-May	Staff Mtg	Cayce	
09-May	Personnel File - Important !!	Van Buren	
16-May	Summer Air/Ground Ops	Crone/Villers	
23-May	AE Education	George/Bell	
27-May	Orientation Flights	Herring	
30-May	Summer Air/Ground Ops	Crone/Villers	
TBD	GAWG SAR-EVAL	LtCol Knight	
Jun			
06-Jun	Staff Meeting	Cayce	
13-Jun	Review of the IC Structure	Cleary/Cayce	
17-Jun	Squadron Picnic	TBD	
20-Jun	Summer Air/Ground Ops	Crone/Villers	
24-Jun	Orientation Flights	Herring	
27-Jun	AE Education	George/Bell	

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Stone Mountain Ground Team Exercise

